

DRAWING AMENDMENTS

In the Drawing:

The drawings were objected to for failing to show every feature of the invention as specified in the claims. Please replace Drawing Sheets 1, Figures 1-2 with replacement Drawing Sheets 1, Figures 1-2. Applicants also submit annotated red-lined drawing pages reflecting the changes. Applicants provide formal corrected drawings to be entered if the proposed changes are accepted by the Examiner.

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed June 16, 2005. At the time of the Office Action, Claims 7-12 were pending in this Application. Claims 1-6 were cancelled due to an election/restriction requirement. Claims 7-11 were rejected, and Claim 12 was objected to. Claim 1 has been amended to further define various features of Applicants' invention. Claim 12 has been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 13-19 have been added. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and favorable action in this case.

Drawing Objections under 37 CFR 1.83(a)

Examiner has objected to the drawings for not showing every feature of the invention specified in the Claims under 37 CFR 1.83(a). Applicants enclose substitute drawings for the Examiner's review and approval.

The Examiner further objected to the drawings for not showing every feature of the claims. Applicants amended dependent claim 8 accordingly.

Priority

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.55, Applicants intend to submit certified copies of the priority applications upon receipt of favorable action in the present application and prior to payment of any issue fees.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 7, 9 and 10 were rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,744,117 issued to Christopher P. Dragon et al. ("Dragon et al."). Applicants respectfully traverse and submit the cited art does not teach all of the elements of the claimed embodiment of the invention.

A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference." *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir. 1997). Furthermore, "the identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as is

contained in the ... claim." *Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co. Ltd.*, 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 USPQ2d 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989). Applicants respectfully submit that the cited art as anticipatory by the Examiner cannot anticipate the rejected Claims, because the cited art does not show all the elements of the present Claims.

Applicants submit a new independent claim 13 that includes all limitations of former independent claim 7 and the additional limitation that the transistor comprises a single metal layer, wherein the metal runner, the metal clamps, and interconnection pieces are formed in the single metal layer. Thus, the layout of a transistor according to claim 13 allows to be manufactured with only a single metal layer and can, thus, allow for a less complex manufacturing process.

Dragon, on the contrary, discloses a transistor device that requires two metal layers as shown, for example, in Fig. 3 of Dragon. See also Fig. 4 and column 2, lines 58-65 describing the first metal layer and column 3, lines 40-47 describing the second metal layer. Thus, Applicants believe that Dragon does not anticipate the new independent claim 13.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claim 8 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Dragon et al. in view of Applicants Prior Art. Applicants respectfully traverse and submit the cited art combinations, even if proper, which Applicants do not concede, does not render the claimed embodiment of the invention obvious.

Claim 11 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Dragon et al. in view of U.S. Patent 5,369,045 issued to Wia T. Ng et al. ("Ng et al."). Applicants respectfully traverse and submit the cited art combinations, even if proper, which Applicants do not concede, does not render the claimed embodiment of the invention obvious.

Applicants respectfully submit that the dependent Claims are allowable at least to the extent of the independent Claims 1 and 13 to which they refer, respectively. Thus, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the dependent Claims. Applicants reserve the right to make further arguments regarding the Examiner's rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), if necessary, and do not concede that the Examiner's proposed combinations are proper.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate Examiner's consideration and indication that Claim 12 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants amended Claim 1 incorporating the elements of allowable Claim 12. Applicants submit new Claim 1 is in condition for allowance and requests favorable action.

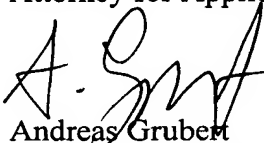
CONCLUSION

Applicants have now made an earnest effort to place this case in condition for allowance in light of the amendments and remarks set forth above. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims as amended.

Applicants believe there are no fees due at this time, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2148 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

If there are any matters concerning this Application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicants' attorney at 512.322.2545.

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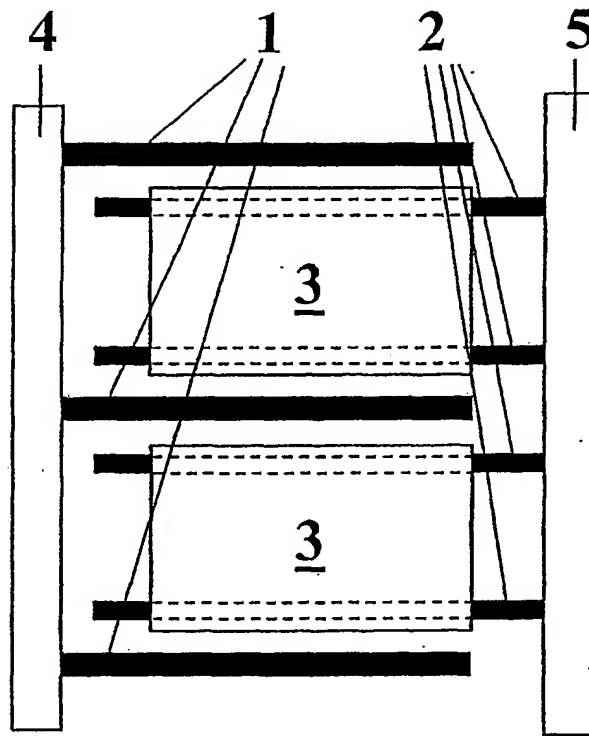
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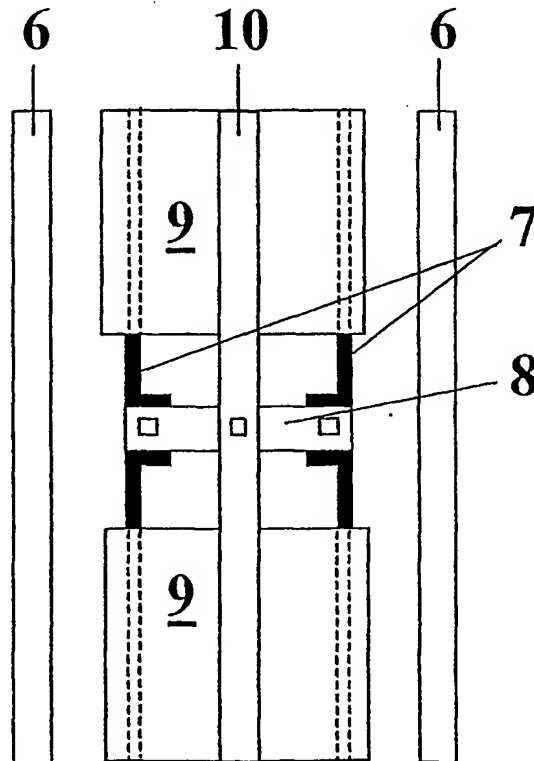
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Prior Art

Fig. 1



Prior Art

Fig. 2